



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Sitaraman et al.

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For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR  
ESTIMATING HELIUM PRODUCTION IN  
STAINLESS STEEL COMPONENTS OF  
NUCLEAR REACTORS

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**Mail Stop: Amendment**  
**Commissioner for Patents**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
**Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

## TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is:  
Amendment (15 pgs.), in response to Office Action dated October 3, 2005  
Transmittal Form (3 pgs.), in duplicate  
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## STATUS

2. Applicant  
☐ Claims small entity status.  
☒ is other than a small entity.

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### EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

- (a)   X   Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136  
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)
<u>  X  </u> first month	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00
<u>      </u> second month	\$ 450.00	\$ 225.00
<u>      </u> third month	\$ 1,020.00	\$ 510.00
<u>      </u> fourth month	\$1,590.00	\$ 795.00
<u>      </u> fifth month	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00

Fee:           \$120.00          

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

*(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)*

       An extension of        months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$       is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$      

OR

- (b)        Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

## FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	ADDITIONAL RATE FEE	OR	ADDITIONAL RATE FEE
TOTAL INDEP.		MINUS		=	x \$25.00 = \$		x \$50.00 = \$
		MINUS		=	x \$100.00 = \$		x \$200.00 = \$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+ \$180.00 = \$		+ \$360.00 = \$
					TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$	OR	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$

(a) ☒ No additional fee for Claims is required

**OR**

(b) ☐ Total additional fee for claims required \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## FEE PAYMENT

5. Attached is a check in the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 the sum of **\$120.00**.  
A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

## FEE DEFICIENCY

6. ☒ If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

**AND/OR**

☒ If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

7. ☐ Other:



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